# OREGON AND WASHINGTON DEPARTMENTS OF FISH AND WILDLIFE JOINT STAFF REPORT - FALL FACT SHEET NO. 8

Columbia River Joint State Hearing September 12, 2005

Fisheries Under Consideration:

Non-Indian mainstem Columbia River sport

### MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES

Management guidelines, allocations, and run size forecasts for the 2005 fall season were presented in the Fall Fact Sheet #1 (July 28, 2005)

### STOCK STATUS

- The TAC updated the Upriver Bright (URB) fall chinook forecast to 312,000 fish to the Columbia River mouth. The pre-season forecast was 354,600.
- On average, the Bonneville passage of bright chinook is about 65% complete thru September 11.
- TAC will meet again on Thursday September 15 to update the run size again.

## **MAINSTEM SPORT FISHERIES**

- Mainstem sport below Bonneville Dam catches:
  - $\circ$  August = 3,200
  - o September 1-11 = 14,100
  - $\circ$  Sept 12-15 = 2,000 (projected) cumulative thru September 15 = 16,100.
  - o September 16-30 = 4,000 (projected)
- Mainstem sport above Bonneville Dam (projected):
  - o Thru September 12 = 25% complete
  - o Thru September 14 = 30% complete
  - o Thru September 24 = 50% complete

2005 Fall Fishery Harvest and URB Impacts						
Runsize	Preseason		In-season		URB Impact	
354,600	Total	URB	Total	URB	Pre	In
312,000	Catch	Catch	Catch	Catch	Season	Season
Buoy 10	12,360	3,200	9,200	2,200	0.90%	0.71%
LCR	16,540	10,020	16,100	9,600	2.83%	3.08%
Zone 6	1,660	1,420	1,500	1,250	0.40%	0.40%
Sport total	30,560	14,640	26,800	13,050	4.13%	4.18%
August Comm.	13,130	3,470	11,430	3,924	0.98%	1.26%
Comm. Total	13,130	3,470	11,430	3,924	0.98%	1.26%
Today's Total	43,690	18,110	38,230	16,974	5.11%	5.44%
SAFE	10,960	620	10,800	550	0.17%	0.18%
Sep/Oct Fisheries	20,960	10,530	17,100	8,200	2.97%	2.63%
Future Total	31,920	11,150	27,900	8,750	3.14%	2.80%
Projected	75,610	29,260	66,130	25,724	8.25%	8.24%

# **Joint Staff Recommendation**

 Prohibit the retention of Chinook salmon in Columbia River recreational fisheries from Buoy 10 to Bonneville Dam effective 12:01 AM Friday September 16, 2005.

# **FUTURE MEETINGS**

• A Compact hearing is scheduled for Friday September 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. at the Public Service Center in Vancouver WA. The meeting will take place in the Clark County Commissioner's hearing room on the 6th floor of the Public Service Center, which is located at 1300 Franklin St.